

him as a separate and distinct fund to be known as "The Recorder's Court Fund." This fund shall be used only in paying the salary of the Recorder and Prosecuting Attorney of said court and other expenses of the Court.

Salary fund.

In all civil actions, the Clerk shall tax against the losing party the sum of Six (\$6.00) Dollars and all sums, so collected, shall be disposed of as above provided for tax fees in criminal actions.

Civil actions, \$6.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 21st day of March, A.D., 1931.

CHAPTER 308

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SAMPSON COUNTY TO REGULATE THE OPENING AND CLOSING OF FILLING STATIONS ON THE SABBATH DAY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That a majority of the qualified voters residing within a radius of one mile of any filling station in Sampson County, situated outside of the incorporated towns in said county, may subscribe and file a petition with the Board of Commissioners of said county requesting that such filling station be opened or closed on the Sabbath day, or during certain hours on the Sabbath day. The Board of Commissioners shall receive and file such petition and give notice of a hearing on such petition to be held at the next or some subsequent regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners by posting a notice at the Court House door and also on or near such filling station for a period of not less than thirty days, specifying in said notice the time of the hearing. At such meeting the Board of Commissioners shall ascertain if said petition has been duly signed by a majority of the qualified voters within a radius of one mile of such filling station; and in such event, the Board of Commissioners shall make and it is hereby authorized and empowered to make, rules, regulations and ordinances governing the opening and closing of such filling station within said county and outside the incorporated towns in said county on the Sabbath day; and shall prohibit the opening of such filling station altogether on said day, or prescribe certain hours in which it may remain open, according to the terms of said petition.

Establishment of Sunday closing hours of filling stations upon petition in Sampson County.

Hearing on petition.

Action of County Commissioners on petition.

SEC. 2. That the violation of the provisions of any ordinance made under authority of this act shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punished in the discretion of the court.

Violation of such ruling made misdemeanor.